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SITUATION REPORT #4

Terrorist Attacks

September 14, 2001 0800 hrs.

SITUATION: At approximately 0748 hours Tuesday morning four hijacked commercial aircraft were used as flying bombs by persons unknown at this time. Two flew into the World Trade Center towers in lower Manhattan, New York City. Both towers collapsed with great loss of life to occupants and rescuers. The Pentagon was struck at approximately 0900 hours, local time, by a third hijacked commercial airliner. A fourth crashed in western Pennsylvania in Somerset County, southwest of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Recovery operations continue in New York City, where many structures in the World Trade Center Complex have been destroyed and/or on the verge of total collapse. At the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia, the fires have been put out and they are slowly examining the structure for bodies and other forensic evidence of the crimes. News media outlets report that 190 victims lost their lives at the Pentagon - 64 on the aircraft and 126 within the Pentagon. Estimates are that over 5,000 people lost their lives in this disaster.

SEMA Actions: The State EOC continues 24 hour operations. Kansas City has reported at least three bomb threats. The City has closed the streets around City Hall which included the General Services Administration and the Kansas City State Office Buildings re-opened yesterday afternoon. American Red Cross continues to shelter 30 people in Kansas City (Marriott -KCI Shelter). They hope to close the shelter as flight operations slowly return to normal. FBI reports that they are investigating leads into the attacks on America. The on going investigation in central Missouri has not yielded any credible evidence of terrorist activity. Newspaper reports indicating that Columbia hosts terrorists are false.

SEOC Operations: SEMA is assisting the national effort to help New York and Washington return to some sort of normalcy. Missouri Task Force #1 (Urban Search and Rescue Team) has been deployed into lower Manhattan and was prominently documented by camera crews from news media outlets.

Department of Public Safety: Director Jackson will continue to provide updates to the Governor's Office. Director Jackson thanked all emergency responders. He stated that all the training and exercises have paid off in the fast and coordinated response from the State Emergency Operations Center.

Office of Administration: All State Office Buildings were opened for business. However, the State Office Buildings in Kansas City were hampered in their operations by city street closures.

Department of Health: 4,000 doses of tetanus vaccine have been released to New York City. They have continued their monitoring efforts for outbreak of diseases.

Department of Transportation: Road repairs were scheduled for Bagnell Dam this Friday (9/14/2001). Local Officials have closed the dam to general traffic since Tuesday and only selected personnel were allowed access to the dam.

Department of Social Services: American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue to provide sheltering and food.

Department of Natural Resources: No Changes

Public Service Commission: No Changes.

Department of Corrections: No Changes

Department of Mental Health: No Changes.

Public Service Commission: No Changes.

Missouri State Highway Patrol: Twelve officers were dispatched to augment security at Kansas City International Airport. Highway Patrol officers will be serving the Attorney General's cease and desist orders on gas stations that violated "anti-gouging" laws.

Missouri State Water Patrol: Water Patrol has returned to normal operations.

Department of Family Services: DFS reports that Salvation Army has been providing a canteen service around the perimeter of the ten block areas which were closed off in downtown Kansas City for government office personnel. Ninety people have been housed in the Missouri-Kansas Camp Shelter in Kansas City (Capacity is near 250 people). Box lunches have been distributed to Law Enforcement and other emergency responders in the Kansas City area. More people are expected to utilize the canteen service now being provided at Kansas City International Airport. In St. Louis, local motels and restaurants near Lambert Field have been able to accommodate the needs of stranded passengers (from Salvation Army). The Salvation Army continues to monitor its radio network (Saturn) and assists callers with reaching friends and relatives in New York and Washington via amateur radio. There have been no problems with accommodations in the Springfield/Greene County area.

The American Red Cross: American Red Cross shelter operations continue with 40 people in the Kansas City Shelter. Other local Red Cross chapters are processing family "health and welfare" traffic inquiries.

Federal Actions: FEMA Region VII deactivated their Regional Operations Center and have transferred off hours coverage to the Denton Mers Operation Center (Region VI, Denton, Texas). Federal Aviation Administration has **NOT** lifted the ban on General Aviation aircraft. Commercial Aircraft, Air Taxis (Tango November) and Life Flights/Life Guards (Tango Limas) are the only non-military aircraft that are allowed to use U.S. airspace.

Missouri National Guard: Operations continue at security level THREATCON CHARLIE for all facilities and activities. Air Guard, at the direction of North American Air Defense Command (NORAD), dispatched F-15's from Lambert for flyovers in response to small aircraft reports. MONG continues 24 hour operations at the Ike Skelton Training Site, Missouri National Guard.

Other Information: All local emergency management agencies have returned to normal hours of operations.